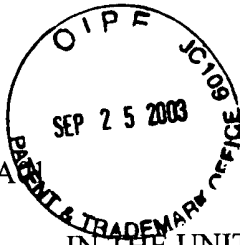


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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by replacing the original abstract with the attached abstract.